

Application No. 10/679,413

REMARKS

Applicant has carefully studied the outstanding Official Action mailed on July 18, 2006. This response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The disclosure stands objected because the peripheral extensions 26 are not shown in the drawings. Submitted herewith is a replacement sheet for Fig. 2 that shows the peripheral extensions 26.

Claims 1-8 and 11 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Cumming (US 6051024).

Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections. Applicant wishes to point out a structural difference between the present invention and Cumming. All of the purported anti-dislocation elements of Cumming extend from or are attached to the haptics. In contrast, in the present invention, the anti-dislocation elements extend from the optic, connecting structure between the optic and the haptic(s) or peripheral extensions that extend from the optic, but not from the haptics.

To emphasize this difference, claims 1, 4, 5, 7 and 11 have been accordingly amended. Claim 12 has been added and is directed to further structural features of the anti-dislocation element.

Claims 1-8 and 11-12 are accordingly deemed allowable. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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